

Paratroopers Test Alaskan Defenses

10-Day Test Starts Of Alaska Defenses

EIELSON AIR FORCE BASE, Alaska UP — Six hundred paratroopers of the 11th airborne division tumbled from a fleet of "Flying Boxcars" in sub-zero weather

to begin a major phase of a 10-day test of Alaska defenses.

The test maneuver, dubbed "Operation Warmwind," pits an "aggressor" army against the Alaska defense command.

Only seven minor injuries were suffered as troopers of the 503rd regimental combat team, flown to Alaska recently from Ft. Campbell, Ky., for the maneuver, hit the arctic plains shortly after daybreak Thursday.

The airborne infantrymen met-

odically overran an "aggressor" army position like northland veterans.

This American air base, near Fairbanks, was being held by the aggressor forces, comprising troops of the 4th regimental combat team based in Alaska.

The advancing paratroopers and the main body of their regiment linked up quickly about 13 miles southeast of here after the mass drop and were marching on Eielson counting on a quick "capture."

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Methodist Laymen Will Meet Sunday

Fort Wayne Scene Of District Rally

Decatur Methodists will attend the district laymen's rally in Fort Wayne at the Wayne Street Methodist church at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

The laymen will be greeted by Fred Busche of this city, district lay leader.

The principal address will be given by Dr. Edwin Garrison, administrative assistant of the Indiana area of the Methodist church.

Homer Roose, conference lay leader of Goshen, will discuss "The purpose of district rallies."

Dr. A. W. Pugh, superintendent of the Fort Wayne district, will speak on "A Time for great churchmanship."

Music will be furnished by the Wells county chorus, directed by C. K. Reid, and Fred Croninger of Fort Wayne will lead the devotions.

Wilbur Petrie Named Class Vice-President

Wilbur Petrie, well-known Decatur oil dealer and civic worker, was elected vice-president of the 1952 Scottish Rite class of 250 members at Fort Wayne Thursday night, following the three-day initiation.

A banquet and speaking program followed the conferring of the 32nd degree on the class. Dr. Cecil G. McEachern, Fort Wayne, was named president of the class. The Decatur man was the first local Mason to receive an office in several years.

More than 50 Adams county members of the Scottish Rite attended the Thursday sessions of the three-day initiation which drew more than 2,000 members to the cathedral from northeastern Indiana.



SCRIPTURE: Matthew 10:1-11:1
DEVOTIONAL: Reading: John 15:15-26

Immortal Twelve

Lesson for November 16, 1962



Dr. Foreman

If the twelve Apostles wanted to join your church, would you let them in? Peter Marshall thought not. Books of sermons are often read, but Dr. Marshall's book called Mr. Jones, Meet the Master is as fascinating a book as you are likely to find anywhere.

One of his famous sermons goes over an imagined application of the twelve Apostles for membership in a typical American church. One by one each is rejected—all but Judas! As a man of money the church wants his services. . . .

Unpromising Material

Not to steal Peter Marshall's sermon, nor to spoil your appetite for it in case you do read it, but just to explore the possibilities, let's imagine yourself passing on the application of these men for church membership. There is Simon Peter . . . Well! He is a fisherman and a sailor, and you know what sailor's language is, some times. A man noted for talking before he thinks. Not among our best people (they would say in Capernaum); lives down by the docks somewhere, smells of fish. No education, very limited background.

Better wait. Maybe he could find a little chapel down nearer his work he'd be happier there. And then there's James and his brother John. Hottempered and ambitious, in fact as conceited as they are likely to live with. They would certainly want to be at the top—if thrones are passed out they will want one apiece in the front row. If they are crossed they are likely to call down fire from heaven—not that they'll get it, but that's the kind of young men they are. No, they will be too hot to handle. Let them go join some sect that will give their emotions a chance. We'll be too slow and too cold for them.

Nobodies

Then there is Thomas, for instance. Just the opposite of Peter. A cold, gloomy man. Takes the dark view of everything. What you want in the church is men of faith, and this is a man who is sure to be called the Doubter. Skepticism is contagious, we have enough doubters now without electing another one. Let's leave him out. Then there is Phillip, a stupid man if ever you saw one. You can say a thing to him over and over and he still won't get it. And Bartholomew and Thaddeus or Lebbaeus or whatever his name is, and another James, and another Simon—their names are common and so are they. Just who are they, the whole lot of them? Nobodies, that's all you can say. Can you name one that has made a name for himself outside his native village—or in it, for that matter? What have they got to contribute? Haven't we got enough dead wood in the church as it is without adding some more people who will be nothing but names? Seems to me the pastor must have been scraping the bottom of the barrel—these men certainly didn't come from the top.

Jesus Made Difference

Even worse than all that could have been said of some of the Twelve. There was one very doubtful character among them, the man Matthew the Publican. Publicans were tax-collectors for the Roman government. No one resented them; Jesus himself used the name Publican as meaning the lowest class of men. Who knew how sincere Matthew was when he joined the Twelve? There was also Judas, immoral for another reason: who was and who remained a devil. Jesus called two of these men "devils" at different times: Judas stayed one, but Peter changed. That lets us in to the secret of why Jesus chose these particular men. It was not for what they were at the time, not for anything they had accomplished, but for what he could do with them. That Jesus chose these men, he selected them for a particular reason: that they should go out and tell other men about him. To be ready to do this, they were to spend some time in close contact with him. When these men went out to speak for Jesus and the Kingdom of God they knew what they were talking about . . . and they were different men. All but Judas, who missed his life's great chance. For these other men had let Christ have his way with them. That is what the Church is and ought to be: the community of men and women who are being transformed, by Christ, for service in his name.

WOOD CHAPEL E. U. B.
Albert N. Straley, pastor
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Paul Henrey, superintendent. Lesson: "Jesus Commissions the Twelve." Morning worship 10:30 a.m. Sermon, "Treasure."

The church will participate in the Van Wert group rally at the Willshire school Sunday evening. A carry-in supper will begin activities at 5:30 p.m., interested groups meet at 6:30 and the evangelistic rally at 7:30. Dr. O. T. Deever, executive secretary of the board of evangelism of the Evangelical United Brethren church, will be the guest speaker.

Midweek prayer and praise service, Wednesday 8 p.m. Orville Jewell, class leader. The junior class in catechism will meet at the same hour.

PLEASANT DALE

Church of the Brethren

John D. Mihler—Pastor

Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. with Mr. Floyd Roth as general superintendent and Mrs. Frieda Yager as primary superintendent.

Classes for all age groups. Regular attendance and activity makes each class a better unit for Christ.

Morning worship at 10:30 a.m.

The pastor will deliver the message of the morning on the theme "If I Had Known." The evening service will begin at 7:00 p.m. with the various departmental meetings. The CBYF will be lead in discussion by one of their own group. The Adult group will have Mr. Oscar Geisel as their leader. The subject for study is "Empowering for Testimony." The children will meet under the leadership of Mrs. Frieda Yager and Miss Patricia Barger for

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PLEASANT MILLS METHODIST

Harley T. Shady, pastor
Sunday school at 9:30 a.m.
Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

SALEM METHODIST
Harley T. Shady, pastor
Sunday school at 9:30 a.m.
Morning worship at 10:30 a.m.
Message by Mr. Stucky, of Berne, representing the Gideons.

SALEM

Evangelical and Reformed/
H. E. Settigle, minister
9 a.m. Sunday school. Classes for every age group.

10 a.m. worship service. Sermon, "Stewards of Life."

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Bible study hour. 8:30 p.m. adult choir rehearsal.

Thursday, 3:30 p.m. children's choir rehearsal.

WINCHESTER

United Brethren in Christ
Stanley, Peters, pastor
Sunday school, 9 a.m.
Morning worship, 10 a.m.
Evangelistic hour, 7 p.m.

Meeting of the Sunday school executive committee immediately following the evening service.

Hour of prayer and Bible study on Wednesday at 7:30. We will study Romans III. Come and bring your Bibles.

Remember—on Sunday evening, November 23, at 7 o'clock, Mrs. Eula Eby, a returned missionary from Africa, will be with us to present pictures from our mission field and speak to us about the work there. Mr. Solomon Parker, a native of Africa, will also accompany her and speak to us.

ST. PAUL CHURCH
Southeast of Decatur

9:15 a.m. Sunday school.
7 p.m., Christian Endeavor.

7:30 p.m. Evangelistic sermon.
Wednesday evening, 7 o'clock.

Bible study classes for all ages.

Rev. William Meyer from Fort Wayne Bible college will bring the message.

ST. LUKE

Evangelical & Reformed, Honduras

H. H. Meckstroth, minister

9 a.m. worship service.

10 a.m. Sunday school.

Thursday—an all-day meeting of the Women's Guild. Mrs. Wm. Bertsch, leader.

MOUNT PLEASANT

Methodist

F. H. Kise, pastor

Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., Leo King, Sr., superintendent.

Worship service, 10:40 a.m., the pastor's sermon theme: The Accounting of a Life.

PEACEABLE VALLEY

Methodist

F. H. Kise, pastor

Worship service, 9:30 a.m. The message will be delivered by the pastor.

Sunday school, 10:30 a.m., Raymond Teeple, superintendent.

No evening service, we will attend the Friends' revival.

Wednesday, youth choir rehearsal, 7 p.m. Prayer service, 7:30.

Adult choir rehearsal, 8:15.

Thursday, youth fellowship party in the annex.

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